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In re Application of: McGann et al.
Serial No.: 09/800,169
Filing Date: March 5, 2001
Group Art Unit: 2131
Title: MESSAGING SYSTEM FOR COMPUTERS

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